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The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO):

- 1. a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (one month);
- 2. a Reply to the Office Action mailed July 15, 2003; and
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